LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Region III
Tehama Sheriff Annex
1740 Walnut Street
Red Bluff, CA 96080
Thursday, May 06, 2010
10:00 – 12:00
MINUTES
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REGION III LEPC

Members present:

Sean Arlin Glenn Co. Sheriff's Office

Michael Bachmeyer Red Bluff Fire Gary Cantwell Yuba Co. CUPA

Russell Fowler

Lisa Frech
Ted Friedline

Butte Co. HazMat/CalFIRE
Tehama Co. Sheriff's Office
Susanville Fire Department

Bill Fuller (Chairman) Yuba City Fire

Dennis Garton Tehama Co. Sheriff's Office Gerry Gray Redding Fire/SCHMRT

Ron Grider SSV-EMS

Larry Masterman Trinity County Sheriff's Office/OES

Mike Paisley Tehama Co. Sheriff's Office

Ruth Ann Rowen St. Elizabeth Community Hospital

Benjamin Salo UPRR HazMat

Amy Travis Tehama Co. Public Health

Scott Zaitz RWQCB

Others present:

Angie Proboszcz US EPA Larry Schaller RTTAC

OES Staff:

Ron Olguin Cal EMA, HazMat Unit
Deborah Russell Cal EMA, Inland Region
Elsy Votino Cal EMA, Inland Region

I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

Bill Fuller, the LEPC III Chair, called the Region III Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. on Thursday, May 06, 2010. He welcomed everyone and introductions took place.

APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 04, 2010, LEPC III MINUTES

The minutes were approved by all members.

II. HMEP Grant Update – Ron Olguin, Cal EMA

Ron Olguin reported that Brian Abeel continues to work on the reconstitution of the SERC. Brian has met with Cal EMA's executive staff and is currently reviewing the documentation and the briefing.

Grant Information:

- The second quarter is complete
- All applicants turned in their documents on time
- The quarterly reimbursements have been processed

Ron Olguin announced that Larry Masterman's application was reviewed and approved by CalEMA's HazMat's section for having the credentials to be a contractor for area plans.

Ron will be attending the National Association of SARA Title III Program Officials (NASTTPO) workshop from May 10-13, 2010. This association meets twice a year with the Federal Government. Changes and updates will be made at the workshop pertaining to the grant application. Once the changes are made, Ron will send a copy of the contractor's list and a copy of the new HMEP grant.

The HMEP grant deadline for FY 2011 is August 15, 2010. HMEP grant funds can go toward developing and/or testing an Area Plan, Regional Plans, and Commodity Flow Studies. If an agency has an idea for a possible project, but aren't sure that it meets his guidance and assistance. Ron Olguin's contact numbers are (916) 845-8765 or at ronald.olguin@calema.ca.gov. As HMEP grant applications need to be review and approved by the LEPC prior to being submitted to CalEMA, Fuller said that individual proposals for the HMEP grant funding need to be submitted to Deborah Russell or himself prior to the July 8th LEPC – Region 3 meeting so that they can be put on the agenda for discussion and consideration of support. Contact information for Deborah Russell and Bill Fuller are as follows:

• Deborah Russell: Office: (530) 347-6494

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• Bill Fuller: Office: (530) 822-4809

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The Continuing Challenge is scheduled on September 7-10, 2010 in Sacramento.

III. CAL EMA REPORT – BRIAN ABEEL

Brian Abeel was not available to attend today's meeting report.

IV. PRESENTATION: PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE RTTAC

Larry Schaller of the North State representative, Regional Terrorism Threat Assessment Center / Central California Intelligence Center (Sacramento) gave a presentation on programs and activities of the RTTAC.

The evolution of the state, local, and federal fusion centers began after the 9/11 incident. As of May 3, there are 73 regional terrorism threat assessments centers open. Larry Schaller serves all of Region III, with the exception of Sierra County. CalEMA and the Office of Homeland Security are players in their system. Larry gave a summary of the geographical area of where some of the regional terrorism threat assessments centers are located.

The Sacramento RTTAC mirrors the Federal Eastern District of California. This includes 34 counties from the Oregon-California border to the Grapevine and from the California-Nevada border to the Coastal Range. The Sacramento RTTAC is responsible for an 88,000 square mile territory.

The following websites and e-mail addresses are contact of the RTTAC:

- <u>SACRTTAC.org</u>: This is a public website that offers information of the program and various resources that are offer, especially for the terrorism liaison officers.
- Kristy Smith: She is an intelligence Officer who serves the Sacramento area. She can be contacted at Kasmith@sacsheriff.org.
- Infragard.net: Is collaboration for national infrastructure protection from drinking water supplies to communication systems, chemical production processes to agricultural resources. One of its purposes is for collecting and disseminating criminal intelligence.
- <u>Eric.nennenam@calema.ca.gov</u>: Eric deals with critical infrastructure such as dams and power system.

For any questions on the RRTAC you can e-mail Larry at: <u>Larry_Schaller@sra.com</u>.

V. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS - *ACTION/ DISCUSSION

A. Training – Deborah Russell / Bill Fuller

• Report on HazMat Training

Bill Fuller reported that there were issues on the HazMat Tech A-D and HazMat Specialist F-G class application. CSTI in going through a transition as part of the CalEMA merger and have undergone a change in computer systems. There have been problems with the information flow regarding class information such as availability of slots, a couple of applications getting lost during the process, and course confirmations not arriving.

There was a Weapons of Mass Destruction Tech/Specialist Terrorism class held in Marysville. There were 20+ Region 3 participants in attendance.

There is a HazMat A-D class that is going through. Five students were able to get into the HazMat Specialist F-G class, which is to be held at CSTI beginning June 21st.

CSTI is changes their application process. All applications will be going directly to CSTI, and then they will send them back to the Regions for review and approval. This process will be implemented in the new fiscal year.

• Current HazMat Training Availability

You can visit CalEMA's website at <u>calema.ca.gov</u> to find out more information on available classes. If you have an interest on any classes, Deborah Russell or Bill Fuller can find out if there are any open slots for Region III applicants.

• Region 3 Training Priorities for 2011/2011

Bill requested input from everyone on classes that are needed or classes that can be put back into the regions so these requests can forwarded to CSTI. Requests can be sent to Deborah Russell or Bill Fuller in the next 2 weeks.

In this Fiscal Year, there is still one FRO Class left on the books. It has to be done in this current fiscal year. Susanville Fire Department has indicated an interest in hosting the FRO class in Lassen County in September. Confirmation of their hosting the training and training dates will be forthcoming.

• Upcoming Classes/Training:

Public Safety Training: Hazardous Materials FRO June 26 & 27 in Weaverville. Pipeline Emergency Response Training: June 2, 2010 in Mad River, California.

B. Regional HazMat Response Teams:

Russ Fowler from Butte County HazMat Team/CalFIRE reported that Butte County had another truck gas leak incident. The HazMat Team did some minor spill prevention because the fuel tank ignited upon impact with a passenger vehicle. Russ mentioned that the Butte Team had received its Type II Team typing.

Gerry Gray from Redding Fire/SCHMRT reported that:

- a. The City of Redding will be probably pulling all of their firefighters, with the exception of Gerry, from SCHMRT due to City budget problems.
- b. SCHMRT will be a part of an Anthrax drill/training on May 12 in Redding at the Post Office facility. The exercise will simulate an actual terrorist incident and the Post Office's HazMat Team will be activated and brought up to the event for response.

VI. MEMBERSHIP ROSTER: VOTING MEMBERS – Bill Fuller

VII. AGENCY REPORTS

Regional Water Quality Control Board, Scott Zaitz:

They will be looking into possible soil contamination due to the fuel leak involved in the truck vs passenger vehicle accident that occurred on Highway 99 in northern Butte County.

US EPA, Angie Proboszcz:

The Local Government Reimbursement Program can reimburse local responders and also the tribal government responders that respond to a hazardous materials event and clean up efforts for up to \$25,000.

SSV-EMS, Ron Grider:

- The SSV-EMS will be hosting an EMS appreciation day on May 18, 2010 at the Butte County Fairgrounds in Gridley from 9:00 AM 3:00 PM. The cost is free.
- The quarterly RDMS disaster group meeting will be held on May 20, 2010 in Redding from 10:00 AM 2:00 PM.

VIII. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

There was no report.

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There was no discussion on future agenda items.

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments.

XI. SCHEDULED NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for July 8, 2010 beginning at 10:00 AM at Wetter Hall in Red Bluff.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 PM..